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SUBJ: NORWAY/ IAEA NPT SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT

REF: STATE A-2701 DTD MAR 27, 1973

1. ON INSTRUCTIONS, NORWEGIAN AMBASSADOR LUNDE CALLED ON MISSION MAY 15 TO DISCUSS PROPOSED PROTOCOL SUSPENDING BILATERAL SAFEGUARDS, AS ANTICIPATED REPAIR.

2. LUNDE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT FINDS DRAFT PROTOCOL ACCEPTABLE AS IS, SUBJECT TO CLARIFICATION ON FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. THEY WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE REQUIRED TO IDENTIFY SEPARATELY U. S. ORIGIN MATERIALS AS SUCH IN THEIR REPORTS TO AGENCY REQUIRED UNDER NPT SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT. WE CONFIRMED, ON BASIS PREVIOUS CASES, E. G., FINLAND, THAT THIS IS ACCURATE.

B. THEY QUESTIONED WHETHER OR NOT THERE WOULD STILL BE REQUIREMENT FOR SAFEGUARDS ON HEAVY WATER, SINCE NPT SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT DOES NOT RPT NOT PROVIDE FOR SUCH SAFEGUARDS. WE INDICATED THAT WE WOULD SEEK GUIDANCE FROM WASHINGTON ON THIS QUESTION.

COMMENT:

APPEARS TO US AT FIRST GLANCE THAT BILATERAL SAFEGUARDS ON HEAVY WATER WOULD CONTINUE, SINCE, IN ACCORDANCE OPERATIVE PARA 3 OF UNCLASSIFIED

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PROTOCOL, BILATERAL SAFEGUARDS ARE SUSPENDED ONLY " DURING THE TIME AND TO THE EXTENT"... ETC. THAT NPT SAFEGUARDS BEING APPLIED BY AGENCY. WE QUESTION WHETHER THIS IS INTENDED. END COMMENT.

C. THEY QUESTIONED WHETHER THEY WOULD STILL HAVE TO SUBMIT REPORTS DIRECTLY TO AEC ON ANY LEASED MATERIAL. WE RESPONDED POSITIVELY, NOTING THAT THIS WAS BASICALLY FINANCIAL EQUIREMENT AND NOT RPT NOT RELATED TO SAFEGUARDS.

D. THEY ASSUME THERE WILL BE NO RPT NO CHANGE IN REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN AEC APPROVAL FOR RE- TRANSFER OF U. S.- ORIGIN MATERIAL. WE CONFIRMED THIS AS ACCURATE.

3. MISSION REQUESTS GUIDANCE SOONEST ON HEAVY WATER QUESTION, FOLLOWING WHICH WE WILL JOIN WITH AMBASSADOR LUNDE IN DISCUSSING PROTOCOL WITH AGENCY. PORTER

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